

Report of	Meeting	Date
Chief Executive (Introduced by the Executive Member for Early Intervention)	Executive Member Decision	September 2019

ALLOCATION OF SMALL COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDING 2019/20

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. This report is provided for the Executive Member for Community Services to consider and approve the allocation of Small Community Grant Funding for 2019/20

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the recommendations at paragraph 12 be approved, subject to agreeing and signing grant agreements with the organisations listed.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

3. This report presents the allocation for 2019/20 of Small Community Grant Funding for approval by the Executive Member for Community Services.

Confidential report Please bold as appropriate	Yes	No
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Key Decision? Please bold as appropriate	Yes	No
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Reason Please bold as appropriate	1, a change in service provision that impacts upon the service revenue budget by £100,000 or more	2, a contract worth £100,000 or more
	3, a new or unprogrammed capital scheme of £100,000 or more	4, Significant impact in environmental, social or physical terms in two or more wards

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

(If the recommendations are accepted)

4. To provide Small Community Grant Funding to allow local voluntary, community and faith sector organisations to deliver services in the borough which contribute towards the Chorley Council priorities.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

5. Not to award these organisations with the grant as requested.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

6. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Involving residents in improving their local area and equality of access for all	x	A strong local economy	
Clean, safe and healthy homes and communities	x	An ambitious council that does more to meet the needs of residents and the local area	x

BACKGROUND

7. Chorley Council recognises the valuable role that voluntary, community and faith groups play in enhancing the life of people in Chorley. The provision of small community funding provides a route to enable these organisations to make this delivery possible, where other funding provision may not be available.
8. Following previous year evaluation regards the funding approach; it was agreed for 2019/20 we will continue with a limited timeframe of applications being made to the funding available.
9. An annual funding budget was allocated to support these grants.
10. The application process for the allocation of Small Community Funding 2019/20 opened on Monday 6th May 2019 for a period of eight weeks
11. Seventy-Four (74) applications were received by the closing date on 28th June 2019
12. An evaluation team assessed and evaluated the applications against the criteria, and recommendations were made to fund a total of 37 applications in full or in part. These applications demonstrated clear alignment with the brief in terms of a well scoped project and defined outcomes in relation to council priorities.

Organisation	Amount Funded
Green Living Chorley	£330
Galaxy Cheerleading Club	£325
Chorley in Bloom	£300
Watch us Grow	£400
Coppull Morris Dancers	£250
Chorley Runners	£260
Mid Lancs BMX Club	£400
Standish Stitchers (Affinity Arts & Craft Group)	£95
Pancho's Place	£400
Friends of Coppull Library	£300
Croston Village Festivities Group (CVFG)	£345
Chorley Community First Responders	£300

Chorley Lions Club	£200
Run Fit Chorley	£160
Drakes Hollow Community Improvement Group	£250
Parochial Church Council of St Laurence	£300
The Bennett Choir	£200
Chorley & District Model Railway Club	£250
TAAG Lancashire	£230
Chorley Sports Forum	£500
Chorley Sheds	£250
Whittle and Clayton-le-Woods Cricket Club	£300
Astley Walled Gardeners	£250
Eccleston Brass Band	£255
Friends of Adlington Library	£270
Pauline's Angels	£300
Clayton Thursday Club	£180
Whittle Community Garden	£300
Chorley Safe Space	£150
Hoghton Cricket Club	£300
Euxton Girls FC	£200
Astley and Bucksaw JFC	£87
Chorley Wanderers JFC	£300
Coppull St Oswald's Allotments	£250
Shooting Stars Fan Club	£200
RCCG Rehoboth Christian Centre - Chorley	£225
Flic Flac Gymnastics Club	£225
Total Funding	£9,997

13. Appropriate monitoring will be undertaken for each of the successful applicants relevant to the level of funding provided.
14. The organisations which were unsuccessful in securing funding will be offered further support to enable them to explore alternative funding sources.

RECOMMENDATIONS

15. The recommendations include 37 grants for approval.
16. If these recommendations are approved, grant agreements will be developed and monitored at conclusion.

17. Grant agreements will include a clause stating the necessity for funding to be used in Chorley and for the benefit of Chorley residents.

IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

18. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

Finance	✓	Customer Services	
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity	
Legal	✓	Integrated Impact Assessment required?	
No significant implications in this area		Policy and Communications	

COMMENTS OF THE STATUTORY FINANCE OFFICER

19. The £5k allocation has been identified for 2019/20. Further commitments in future financial years will be funded through virements from other budgets.

COMMENTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

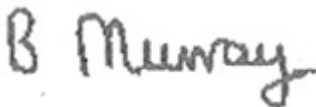
20. The Grant awards are made in accordance with agreed processes.

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Following careful consideration and assessment of the contents of this report, I approve the recommendation(s) contained in Paragraph 2 of the report in accordance with my delegated power to make executive decisions.



Dated 25 September 2019

Councillor Beverley Murray
Executive Member for Early Intervention